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## FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

## AFRICA.

Report from Cape Colony—Plague—Examination for plague-infected rodents.

> COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Cape Town, Cape of Good Hope, October 10, 1904.

The following report by the medical officer of health for the colony on the state of the outbreak of bubonic plague in the Cape Colony for the week ended October 8, 1904, is published for general information.

NOEL JANISCH. Under Colonial Secretary.

Port Elizabeth.—One case of plague was discovered during the week, namely, a colored male on the 5th instant. At the plague hospital, 2 European males were discharged. Two cases remain under treatment. One hundred and eighty-six rats (16 found dead) and 63 mice (8 found dead) were bacteriologically examined during the week, of which 10 rats and 7 mice proved to be plague-infected.

East London.—Plague-infected rodents continued to be found in the town during

the week.

## CAPE TOWN.

Harbor board area and shipping in harbor.—Two hundred and eighty-three rodents

were examined; no plague infection was discovered.

Cape Town municipal area.—Three hundred and sixty-two rodents were examined by the medical officer of health for the city; no plague infection was discovered. Other districts.—No plague infection in man or animals was discovered.

J. A. MITCHELL,

Acting Medical Officer of Health for the Colony.

Report from Lourenço Marquez—Suspect plague at Magude.

Consul Hollis reports, September 27, 1904, as follows:

I have to-day been notified by the secretary-general of the province of Mozambique that there are 2 cases of suspected plague at Magude. The secretary-general gives no further information, but it is presumed that Magude has been isolated.